

## Message Text

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ACTION OCE-00

INFO OCT-01 CCO-00 SS-15 ISO-00 /016 W

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P 081232Z NOV 74

FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1918

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 2623

STATE FOR OC; ALSO S/S-EX

BEIRUT FOR RCO

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: ACOM, OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A)

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT SECVISIT

REF: STATE 243553

1. FOLLOWING IS EXTRACT FROM DAMASCUS CIRCUIT LOG: 11/7/74

AT 1330Z STATE TECH CONTROL CAME ON CIRCUIT WITH "CIP'S DE RUEHC." DAMASCUS C&R RESPONDED IMMEDIATELY ON CIRCUIT WITH NO RESPONSE FROM STATE TECH CONTROL (TC).

AT 1347Z SENT SERVICE TO TECH CONTROL UNDER DMI104 WITH FOLLOW-UP SERVICES UNDER DMI105, 106 AND 107 AT 1356Z, 1358Z AND 1407Z. SERVICES QUERIED REASON FOR IDLE CIRCUIT.

AT 1410Z RECEIVED ANOTHER "CIP" FROM STATE TECH CONTROL. REPLIED PROMPTLY WITH TC STATING THEY WOULD MAKE BLACK PATCH.

AT 1435Z CONTACT ESTABLISHED WITH WHCA AFTER EQUIPMENT PROBLEM CLEARED AT WH END. CALLED TECH CONTROL ABOUT 1420Z AND TALKED WITH INDIVIDUAL WHO STATED "TROUBLE AT OUR END AND WE WERE NOT RESPONDING." HE WOULD NOT GIVE HIS NAME, JUST INITIALS "CLS." WHILE TALKING WITH "CLS" PATCH WAS COMPLETED TO WH.

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AT APPRXLY 1500Z CIRCUIT WAS RESTORED TO STATE CONTROL.  
S/S KEPT INFORMED OF CIRCUIT STATUS THROUGHOUT.

2. POST HOPES THE EXCESSIVE DELAY (1330Z-APPRXLY 1435Z)  
FROM INITIAL CONTACT BY TC TO ACTUAL BLACK PATCH  
COMPLETION CAN BE ELIMINATED PRIOR ANY FUTURE VISITS BY  
THE SECRETARY.

THE INTERVAL BETWEEN INITIAL CONTACT BY TC AND COMPLETION  
OF BLACK PATCH HAS BEEN MINIMAL, AND ACCEPTABLE, FOR  
PREVIOUS VISITS.  
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